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FULTON MEN ARE CHOSEN

Brownell and Harris Successful in Fight for Presidency and Speakership of House.

OPPOSITION IS DEMORALIZED

Eddy Followers Threw Their Strength to Harris After Twenty-one Ballots and Elected Him.

SALEM, Jan. 12.—(Special)—Senator Fulton of Astoria won a memorable victory at the opening of the legislature today, both his candidates—Senator Brownell, for president of the senate, and Representative Harris, for speaker of the house—being successful. The result of the three-cornered fight for the speakership attests more than anything else the great strength of Fulton, for his candidate, L. T. Harris of Lane, demoralized the Eddy following and eventually captured its entire strength. The fight for the presidency of the senate was even more interesting than that for the speakership, but Brownell of Clackamas won out on the 15th ballot.

Senator Fulton called the senate to order at 10 a. m. Senator Daly of Benton being chosen president pro-tem and S. L. Moorehead, secretary pro-tem. After the appointment of a committee on credentials, adjournment was taken until 11 o'clock, at which hour the report of the committee was presented. Then, on motion of Mr. Fulton, adjournment was taken until 3 p. m. The senate caucus called to select the president went to work without delay. For 17 ballots the opposing candidates—Frownell and Dr. A. C. Smith of Multnomah—were tied, each receiving 11 votes. On the 15th ballot a senator whose name can not be learned changed to Brownell, and the deadlock was broken.

The strength of Davey of Marion was the surprising feature of the race for the speakership. It was all along supposed that Davey would be a poor third in the race, but on the first ballot he received 15 votes, to 15 for Eddy and 14 for Harris. On the second ballot one of Eddy's supporters changed to Harris who gradually sapped away the strength of his opponents. On the 19th ballot others of the Eddy following began to go over to Harris, and on the 21st and final ballot Eddy withdrew in favor of the gentleman from Lane, electing him.

S. L. Moorehead of Junction City was elected chief clerk of the senate, and A. C. Jennings, chief clerk of the house. After the selection of the minor officers both houses adjourned out of respect to the memory of the late Congressman Tongue.

The result of the organization is a notable triumph for Senator Fulton, who is in absolute control of the situation in both houses. The result of the balloting indicates very plainly that the Astoria man will have the greatest backing in the senatorial race, and his followers are tonight predicting an easy victory for him. The balloting for senator commences one week from tomorrow, and the impression prevails that a caucus will be held. Senator Fulton desires a caucus, and his initial triumph would indicate that his wishes will be regarded when it comes to the selection of a senatorial candidate.

POSSESSOR OF OLD GUN ENTITLED TO PROPERTY. Clause in Will Gives to Him Who Holds Ancient Musket, Estate of Testator.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Members of the Stoy family all over the United States, including Mayor Franklin P. Stoy, have been interested in finding the possessor of a certain revolutionary musket, ownership of which may carry with it the inheritance of an estate, worth, it is said, several million dollars, says an Atlantic City, N. J., dispatch to the Tribune. A letter received by Mayor Stoy probably settles the question of ownership of the gun, Isaac Stoy of Sherwood, Mich., stating that he is its possessor.

Seventy years ago the property in question was leased to John Stoy, the father of Isaac. At that time it was found that, inserted in the grant to the original lease, which provided that any dispute in regard to the succession of the property was to be settled by the possession of a revolutionary musket, which was minutely described and spoken of as being carried by one of the original Stoy's at the Cornwallis surrender at Yorktown. The musket was to be used to the nearest holders of the lands and to be absolute proof of ownership. The hunt for the gun shows that a

few years ago it came into Isaac's possession. Mayor Stoy has informed him of the queer circumstances under which the big bequest is made, and backed by the remnants of the Stoy family, Isaac Stoy will make a fight for the estate.

BEAUTIFUL WOMAN INSANE. Removed from Waldorf-Astoria—Loaded Revolvers Taken From Her.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Two loaded revolvers were taken from a beautiful woman who was removed in a cab Sunday night from the Waldorf-Astoria to Bellevue hospital and placed in a ward for the female insane. Papers in her possession bore the inscription "Mrs. Maignen, Philadelphia," and the address "P. A. Maignen, No. 310 or 1310 Arch street, Philadelphia," was found on a letter.

The woman who registered in the hotel three days ago as Mrs. Maignen of Philadelphia has ordered jewels to the value of about \$100,000 from various fashionable jewelers since her arrival in this city. The superintendent in Bellevue hospital says he thinks he knows who her husband is. He admitted she was a French woman of wealth and social distinction, but declined to give her name or to furnish any details about her family connections.

The woman was not violent in the cab or in the hospital, except when she was being taken to the pavilion, when she raved. She is tall, splendidly built, with exceptionally handsome features and with the unmistakable stamp of refinement.

DUTY RUINS BUSINESS. Advent of New Minister Expected to Relieve Matters.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Now that the United States supreme court has decided that Russia does pay a bounty on exported sugar, says the St. Petersburg correspondent of the Herald, there is no probability of Russia removing the countervailing duty on American machinery, agricultural implements and such.

Dealers in bicycles and resin have lost all of their trade in those lines and are now looking forward to the appearance of the new ambassador, Mr. McCormick, and hoping that a way out of the difficulty can be found in a new treaty. It is understood that the Russian authorities are not averse to such action.

SURVIVOR OF CRIMEAN WAR. British Soldier Who Was Honored by Queen, Dying in Connecticut.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—Matthew Higgins, the only survivor of the Crimean war, living in Connecticut, says a dispatch to the World from Winsted, is dying of general debility at the home of his daughter, Mrs. John Owens, here. He received a medal from Queen Victoria for gallantry at the battle of Inkerman for intercepting and capturing a Russian officer who was bearing dispatches of great importance, and for brave and meritorious service during the entire war.

COUNT DESERTS HIS WIFE. Another Scandal Crops Out in European Circles of Royalty.

VIENNA, Jan. 12.—Serious differences, according to Die Welt, have arisen between Count and Countess De Lonyay, formerly Crown Princess Stephanie, during their stay in southern France. The count is reported to have suddenly left his wife and to have since given no intimation of his whereabouts. Crown Princess Stephanie of Austria-Hungary, widow of Arch-Duke Rudolph and daughter of King Leopold of Belgium, was married March 23, 1900, to Count De Lonyay, a popular diplomat of high standing in court circles. The marriage of the princess to Count De Lonyay was bitterly opposed by King Leopold.

APPOINTED MANAGING EDITOR. California Minister Called to a Position in Portland.

SANTA ANNA, Calif., Jan. 12.—Rev. Myron Cooley, for six years pastor of Immanuel Baptist church of this city, has been called by the board of directors of the Pacific Baptist, Portland, Ore., the official coast organ of the denomination, to be its managing editor.

CHINESE STUDENTS ADMITTED. WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The expulsion of Kung Hsiang Hsieh and Felchert Po, the Chinese students, by treasury department, which has excited such interest in the missionary world, that the men have finally been admitted to this country after waiting more than a year.

IN RESPECT TO THE DEAD

Resolutions Are Offered by Both Branches to Memory of Late Thomas H. Tongue.

COAL BILL EXPECTED TO PASS

Measure Will Admit Free Coal From Canada and Nova Scotia—Opposition States Reasons.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—It is expected that congress will pass the bill on the duty of 56 cents per ton on coal to this country. This bill will take the form of a rebate or drawback for 30 days and also will provide reciprocity, admitting free of duty coal imported to this country from countries granting same privilege to the United States. This means that Canada and Nova Scotia coal will come into this country free, while coal from the Alleghenies and westward will go into Canada free of duty. It is expected the bill will pass the house tomorrow. It will be taken up in the senate very soon and the intention is to have it pass without much delay.

A number of republicans who heretofore have been opposed to charging a duty on coal said they would not oppose the bill, provided it did not open up the whole tariff question.

DEATH OF REPRESENTATIVE T. H. TONGUE ANNOUNCED

Resolutions Offered—Senate Adjourned and Committee Appointed to Accompany Remains to Oregon.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—A lively debate occurred in the senate today between Aldrich, Vest and Carmack, when the first named endeavored to secure a postponement of the Vest resolution requiring the committee on finance to report a bill removing the duty on coal. Aldrich announced there were strong hopes of action being taken elsewhere with a view of removing the duty on coal. The proposition was not acceptable to Vest who expressed the opinion that to allow the resolution, "to go into uncertainty and the nebulous feature" would mean its defeat. Mitchell announced the death of Representative Tongue of Oregon and offered the usual resolutions expressing the sorrow of the senate. President Pro-tem Frye appointed Mitchell, Perkins, Dooliver, Turner and Dubois a committee on the part of the senate to accompany the remains to Oregon. At 5:10 p. m. the senate adjourned out of respect to the memory of the late Representative Tongue.

LITTLE BUSINESS DONE.

House Adjourns Out of Respect to Late Representative From Oregon.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—The house to lay, after adopting resolutions to authorize the merchant marine and fisheries committee to investigate the coal situation, adjourned out of respect to the memory of the late Representative Tongue of Oregon, after the appointment of a committee to attend the funeral.

A resolution has been introduced to extend the privilege of carrying coal to coastwise ports to foreign steamers for 90 days, because the present scarcity of coal involves great suffering and distress, and authorizes the committee to investigate the reasons or causes of such scarcity and distress. The committee is directed to report to the house testimony with the conclusion thereon, as soon as possible.

LIGHTHOUSES AND FISHERIES

Appropriation Bill Introduced By Clark of Wyoming.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 12.—Senator Clark of Wyoming today introduced a bill providing for an increase of the lighthouse districts of the country from 16, the present number, to 18. He also presented a bill authorizing a lighthouse station at Cape Nome, Alaska, and also a bill appropriating \$150,000 for the promotion of salmon fisheries.

LEGISLATURE AT OLYMPIA PRETTY MUCH DIVIDED

No Separatorial Candidate Has Yet Achieved Pronounced Success—Two Presto Men Play Cold

OLYMPIA, Wash., Jan. 12.—There is not talk at this time of holding a republican caucus on the senatorial situation before balloting begins on the tenth day of the session. In the organization of the legislature today the Ankony followers claim a

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PREACHED WITHOUT SALARY.

Worked for Thirty Years but Did Not Receive a Cent.

NEW YORK, Jan. 12.—H. S. Hoffman, who for 30 years has not accepted a penny of salary in the various churches where he has labored, has announced his resignation as pastor of the Reformed Episcopal church of Our Redeemer, says a Philadelphia dispatch to the Times. The announcement caused deep regret to the members of the congregation, with whom he has been for 11 years. His action was not unanticipated. His resignation is due to a desire on his part to be relieved from active work.

MRS. WU IN 'FRISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 12.—Mme. Wu, wife of Wu Ting Fang, late Chinese minister to the United States, has arrived here from the east accompanied by C. H. Chang, secretary of the legation at Washington, and a maid servant. She will sail for China on the steamer Korea this week.

TIMES MUST PAY DAMAGES.

SAN DIEGO, Calif., Jan. 13.—The jury in the libel suit of Mrs. Tingley for \$50,000 against the Los Angeles Times tonight returned a verdict awarding Mrs. Tingley \$7500.

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ROME, Jan. 12.—Negotiations between the cooperating powers relative to raising the blockade of the Venezuelan coast are proceeding, the main point being the question of guarantees for the payment of claims should the warships be withdrawn.

The Italian foreign office recognizes the correctness of the contention in Secretary Hay's last note that a continuance of the blockade will only further impoverish Venezuela and make the settlement of the claims more difficult, and is desirous of meeting the suggestion of the United States. At the same time it cannot act without an agreement with Germany and Great Britain. As the quickest solution, the suggestion is again mooted whether the United States might not again be asked to guarantee the payment of the sums awarded, now that the situation has so completely changed.

CASTRO PROVES A PUZZLER.

Accepts Nothing and is Generally Indefinite as to Purpose. BERLIN, Jan. 12.—The foreign office is somewhat puzzled by President Castro's last note. He avoids specific acceptance of the powers' stipulations, and seemingly leaves the basis for a settlement as indefinite as in his preceding dispatch, agreeing generally to arbitration. The president's reply has really not advanced the matter at all, but it is confidently supposed he

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